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THE RAZOR'S EDGE

TERM V 2010

2010-2011 Academic Year Just Around The Corner



The 2010-2011 OMGT academic schedule will be available in July.

Summer is here and I can't believe our 2009-2010 academic year is almost over! It seems like some of you just started the program and now you're almost finished! Time sure does fly, doesn't it?

Term V ends July 8 and you'll get a well-deserved six week break before classes resume in August. Remember that all prerequisites must be completed before enrolling in your 5th course. This break would be a good time to get these out of the way! Watch our website for the schedule for the new academic year to be posted!

Looking For Resume/Job Interview Help?

Open to students, faculty/staff, alumni and employers, the Career Development Center can help you do everything from making sense of your employment options to negotiating a job offer. Resume critique services as well as mock interviews are available.

Career Services counselors will help students create quality resumes, steer them toward job openings and help improve interviewing skills.

Informative workshops covering topics such as Diversity in the Work-

place, Creating Your Personal Branding Statement, Wal-Mart: Committed to Developing Leaders in Our Communities, and How to Find a Federal Job are sponsored throughout the year.

For more information on the services offered contact the Career Development Center at 575-2805 or <http://career.uark.edu/>.

Note that nearly all your professors have extensive experience in the corporate sector. Be sure to get their input on interview skills,

resume construction and career advancement.

Looking for ways to improve your job skills but just don't have the time to make an appointment? Check out these online presentations from the Career Development Center...

- ⇒ Personal Branding Statement
- ⇒ How to Apply for a Federal Job
- ⇒ Video Gaming Presentation
- ⇒ Interview Success
- ⇒ Job Search Strategies

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Last Day To Drop A Term V Course: 6/28/10
- Fayetteville Oral Comp Exams: 6/28/10
- Independence Day: 7/4/10
- Independence Day Holiday (University Closed): 7/5/10
- Term V Ends: 7/8/10

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Other News & Announcements

Interested in a student loan?
Contact the Financial Aid office at 479-575-3806.

Have you moved? Be sure to update me if your mailing or email addresses have changed.



Former U of A Chancellor John White will be teaching a live class for Fayetteville students this fall. Watch for more information!



Congratulations Spring Fayetteville Graduates!

We wish you hearty congratulations for your dedication, vision, and all the hard work you've put in to further your education. Wishing you all the best in your future endeavors.

Abdel-Fattah Allahham
Sant Satsangi
Gabe Kimbro
Themby Kobus
Brandon Lin
Martha Mitchell
Brian Steele
Amanda Berryhill
Ato Bhavnani
Sheldon Cordeiro
Bryan Haines



Jerry Hartfield
Ryan Hicks
Chris Horn
Lindi Huffaker
Sayali Kulkarni
Travis Lamontagne
Brett Myers
Stacey Williamson
Brad Cullipher
Jennifer Ford

Student Spotlight: Steven Stoiber



Steven Stoiber is a new Foreign Service Officer with the Department of State. He and his family were recently posted to Bangkok, Thailand, where they will serve for the next three years. He is a May graduate of the MSOM program.

Steven is a retired U.S. Army Warrant Officer. Nineteen of his twenty-one years of Army service were spent overseas in countries such as Germany, Egypt, Pakistan, Lebanon, India and Zimbabwe. After retirement Steven completed two BS degrees in Liberal Arts and in Business Administration.

Upon completion of these degrees he was employed by the Joint Special Operations University as a course director for a seminar in Combating Terrorist Networks.

During this time he and a colleague at the Joint Special Operations University discussed the Master's Degree opportunities accessible to them through the Air Force Special Operations Education Center at Hurlburt Field, Florida. After careful review of all available curriculums, he decided the UofA's was the most challenging.

While deeply immersed in the MSOM program, Steven was notified by the Department of State that he had been selected to become a Foreign Service Officer, and further, that he had only a few months in which to move from Florida to Washington, DC to begin training. As a consequence he had to transition from taking live

classes with the MSOM Program to remote courses in order to complete his degree.

Steven continues to use all the elements he has learned from the MSOM program on a daily basis and credits this program with making him a better manager. The education gained from UofA allows him to address problems and embrace technological innovations more quickly and efficiently than his peers.

Steven was not able to make it back to the UofA for the commencement ceremony, but that did not stop the UofA from recognizing him and his achievements in completing the MSOM half a world away. During the Embassy's annual awards ceremony, Steven was recognized by the U.S. Ambassador to Mongolia, Mark C. Minton, for his completion of the MSOM program.

Keep us posted! Have you gotten married, had a baby, received a promotion, run a marathon, caught a BIG fish, etc...? Email your news, announcements and pictures to omgtfay@uark.edu to share with your OMGT classmates!

Commencement-May 8, 2010

It was a lovely day here in Fayetteville for commencement ceremonies on May 8, 2010. We were delighted to see so many of our students on graduation day, and we especially enjoyed having the opportunity to visit with their families and friends at our luncheon in the Bell Engineering Center.



Sant Satsangi and his spouse, Vibha



Sayali Kulkarni and family



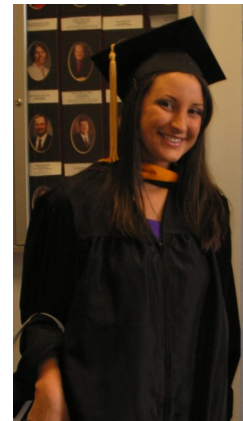
Marta Mitchell and guests



Sheldon Cordeiro and Associate Director Alex Mironoff



Stacey Williamson



Tarab McConnell



Stephen Andrews and guests



Brian Steele and family



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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

The **Operations Management Master of Science** program at the University of Arkansas focuses on the essential concepts, methods and tools needed to successfully manage work processes and people in a wide spectrum of organizations, including business/industry, military, government and non-profit. Geared toward the working student who typically holds a professional or management position in an organizational setting, the program offers live evening classes that meet in five 8-week terms per year. Courses are also available in DVD/CD, online and independent study formats.

The Operations Management curriculum emphasizes practical knowledge in such areas as project planning, quality management, economic decision-making, supply chain management, human behavior analysis, operations research, and many other areas of importance to today's manager. In addition to taking a core of four required courses, students are able to select from over 20 courses to make up the ten required to complete the degree. Through course selection students can also specialize in focus areas such as **Industrial Management, Business Management, Human Resource Management, or Health & Safety Management**. The University of Arkansas is accredited as a graduate degree granting institution by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Meet Your Professor: Dr. Ed Pohl

Dr. Pohl joined the Dept. of Industrial Engineering at the University of Arkansas as an Associate Professor in 2004. He became the Director and Chair of Graduate Studies for the Operations Management program in 2006. Prior to joining the UArk faculty, he was an Associate Professor of Systems Engineering and Deputy Director of the Operations Research Center at the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York (2001-2004).

Dr. Pohl teaches courses in statistics, systems engineering, project management, optimization, and reliability and risk analysis. He is a Senior Member of IIE, IEEE, and ASQ. He is a member of INCOSE,

INFORMS, ASEE, SRE, and MORS. He serves as the Associate Editor for the Journal of Military Operations Research, Journal of Risk and Reliability and IEEE Transactions on Reliability. He served as the Department Editor for Process Optimization, IIE Transactions (2003-2004), and the Special Issue Editor for IIE Transactions, Special Issue on Homeland Security (2004-2006).

Dr. Pohl has been recognized by the military for his service to the country, receiving the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal (Two Bronze Oak Leaf) and the Air Force Commendation Medal (One Bronze Oak Leaf).



He received his Ph.D. in Systems and Industrial Engineering and his M. S. in Reliability Engineering from the University of Arizona. He received his M.S. in Systems Engineering from the Air Force Institute of Technology. He received his M.S. in Engineering Management from the University of Dayton and his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Boston University.

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